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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
COLUMBIA
NEW HAMPSHIRE



FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15

1919



Colebrook Sentinel Print

TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen

JOHN GRAY

ERNEST U. SIMS

ERWIN FITTS

Town Clerk

GARDNER R. WOODARD

Town Treasurer

GARDNER R. WOODARD

Collector of Taxes

AUSTIN GRAY

Highway Agents

HARRIS GRAY

SETH BUNNELL

Librarian

MAY LUEY

Board of Health

W. E. CONE

Auditors

CHARLES E. MARTIN

F. G. PARSONS



INVOICE OF PROPERTY, 1918.

160 polls	
Real estate,	\$501,225.00
290 horses,	33,450.00
780 cows,	54,192.00
119 neat stock,	5,816.00
74 sheep,	1,016.00
25 hogs,	477.00
175 fowls,	175.00
25 automobiles,	4,100.00
Wood and lumber,	29,205.00
Money on hand,	780.00
Stock in trade,	5,362.00
Mills,	2,100.00
	<hr/> \$637,898.00



TAXES ASSESSED, 1918.

State tax,	\$ 912.00
County tax,	874.15
Highways and bridges,	1,600.00
Winter roads,	500.00
Permanent repairs,	943.50
Maintenance,	652.00
Support of poor,	300.00
Miscellaneous,	500.00
Library,	30.00
Schools,	4,630.00
	<hr/> \$10,941.65
Add less than 5%,	492.37
	<hr/> \$11,434.02
Tax rate, \$1.74.	

RECEIPTS.

From Local Taxes.

1. Property and poll taxes, current year,	\$11,360.32
2. Uncollected taxes for 1917,	194.56

From the State.

3. (b) State aid construction,	318.09
(c) Trunk line maintenance,	1,038.94
5. Railroad tax,	177.87
6. Savings bank tax,	124.53
8. Literary fund,	102.70
9. State aid for education,	965.40
12. Bounties,	20.00

From Local Sources Except Taxes.

15. Dog licenses,	85.20
18. Rent of town hall,	5.00
19. Interest on taxes,	2.99
25. Declaration of candidacy,	10.00
27. Temporary loans,	6,000.00
32. Refund from Charlie M. Chase estate,	61.73
Taxes bid off by town,	33.81
Cash on hand at beginning of year,	425.08
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	\$20,926.22

PAYMENTS. CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

General Government.

1.	Town officers' salaries,	\$474.00
2.	Town officers' expenses,	193.08
3.	Election and registration expenses,	8.00
5.	Expenses town,	27.00

Protection of Property.

6.	Police, John Harding,	6.00
7.	Forest fires, John Gray,	12.00
9.	Bounties,	20.00
10.	Damage by dogs, Earl Keack,	17.00

Health.

11.	Health department,	43.00
12.	Vital statistics, G. R. Woodard,	27.75

Highways and Bridges.

15.	Trunk line maintenance,	1,819.60
16.	Town maintenance,	2,615.56
18.	General expenses of department,	27.00

Education.

19.	Libraries,	40.00
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Charities.

20.	Town poor,	201.73
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Public Service Enterprises.

27.	Cemeteries,	21.00
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Unclassified.

28.	Legal expenses, H. J. Holden,	15.00
29.	Taxes bought by town,	55.37
30.	Abatements,	4.00
32.	Interest on temporary loans,	198.34
36.	State aid construction,	1,307.50
43.	Paid temporary loans,	6,000.00
47.	State taxes,	912.00
48.	County taxes,	874.15
50.	School district,	5,726.70
	Cash on hand,	280.44

\$20,926.22

DETAIL OF PAYMENTS.

1.	Mrs. M. W. Gray, salary M. W. Gray,	\$10.00	
	May Luey, librarian,	30.00	
	M. M. Cass, supervisor,	30.00	
	Frank Hodge, supervisor,	28.00	
	Anson Wallace, supervisor,	28.00	
	E. E. Colby, ballot clerk,	4.00	
	Charles, Martin, ballot clerk,	4.00	
	George Parkhurst, moderator,	6.00	
	Will Wallace, auditor,	2.00	
	Charles Martin, auditor,	2.00	
	E. U. Sims, selectman,	80.00	
	Erwin Fitts, selectman,	80.00	
	G. R. Woodard, town clerk,	35.00	
	G. R. Woodard, town treasurer,	35.00	
	G. R. Woodard, town janitor,	15.00	
	Austin Gray, collector,	70.00	
	Austin Gray, dog constable,	15.00	
			<hr/> \$474.00
2.	E. U. Sims, nails and spikes,	\$ 5.39	
	E. C. Eastman, books and supplies,	32.14	
	George Parkhurst, scaling pulp,	4.00	
	Andrew Jackson, scaling pulp,	6.00	
	Eugene Jordan, exploring timber land,	7.00	
	E. U. Sims, expenses, etc.,	33.50	
	G. R. Woodard, postage and stationery,	7.70	
	G. R. Woodard, delivering jury notices,	5.00	
	Erwin Fitts, material and labor,	62.00	
	Erwin Fitts, expenses,	27.50	
	Erwin Fitts, stamps and stationery,	2.85	
			<hr/> \$193.08
3.	G. R. Woodard, posting notices, etc.,	\$ 8.00	
5.	F. B. Thompson, insurance,	\$22.00	
	Elwin Trask, wood,	5.00	
			<hr/> \$27.00
9.	John Chappel, bounty on bear,	\$5.00	
	Claud McKeag, bounty on bear,	5.00	
	Cecil Barnett, bounty on bear,	5.00	
	Frank Uran, bounty on bear,	5.00	
			<hr/> \$20.00
11.	Dr. W. F. Noyes, fumigation,	\$33.00	
	D. R. Stickney,	10.00	
			<hr/> \$43.00

15.	Earl Pilbro, on highway,	\$ 3.00	
	Herbert Lawton, on highway,	4.50	
	E. U. Sims, trunk line maintenance,	869.40	
	Erwin Fitts, trunk line maintenance,	942.70	
			<hr/> \$1,819.60
16.	Edward Gay, gravel,	\$ 4.00	
	Brewster Bennett, labor,	22.00	
	Austin Gray, labor,	3.00	
	Boudreau & Hennessy, road scraper, 1915,	13.50	
	F. L. Blake, road machine blade and repairs,	18.85	
	Fred Blodgett, labor,	9.00	
	Irving French, labor,	6.50	
	H. N. Cone, plank, etc.,	149.09	
	Earl Pilbro, on highway,	4.25	
	E. U. Sims, on highway,	27.50	
	Eugene Jordan, on highway,	99.54	
	Seth Bunnell, on highway,	658.58	
	Harris Gray, on highway,	722.05	
	Lyman Hicks, on highway,	189.75	
	Melvin Barnett, on highway,	275.25	
			<hr/> \$2,202.86

Winter Roads.

John Chappel,	\$15.00
Thomas Chappel,	5.00
Austin Gray,	10.00
John H. Marshall,	6.00
Henry Greer,	30.00
George Smith,	3.00
Fred Blodgett,	6.00
Gerald Harding,	2.50
B. A. Gray,	35.00
Allen Gray,	30.25
F. E. Chandler,	8.00
James P. Colby,	7.00
Charles Gadwah,	7.50
Harry Boucher,	3.00
M. M. Cass,	10.00
Harris Gray,	13.50
F. S. Prince,	24.45
Lovell Oaks,	4.50
Eugene Jordan,	47.75
J. R. Jackson,	67.00
E. G. Annis,	25.00
F. G. Marshall,	4.00

	F. J. Cunningham,	10.50	
	Charles Martin,	4.25	
	E. U. Sims,	28.00	
	John Wright,	5.50	
		<hr/>	\$412.70
18.	Willis Stevens, bill,	\$19.00	
	Mrs. Harriet Gray, water box,	2.00	
	Harry Boucher,	2.00	
	M. H. Gray,	2.00	
	John Wright,	2.00	
		<hr/>	\$27.00
19.	May Luey, for books,	\$30.00	
	May Luey, for rent,	10.00	
		<hr/>	\$40.00
20.	Dr. E. E. Jones' bill,	\$168.00	
	Lombard Bros., for Charles Chase,	33.73	
		<hr/>	\$201.73
27.	Emerson & Co.,	\$15.00	
	M. H. Gray, mowing cemetery,	6.00	
		<hr/>	\$21.00
30.	Frank Jordan, 1917,	\$2.00	
	James P. Colby, 1918,	2.00	
		<hr/>	\$4.00
36.	B. A. Gray, State aid construction,	\$61.00	
	E. E. Colby, State aid construction,	34.50	
	Allen Gray, State aid construction,	16.50	
	Thomas Pinckney, Jr., State aid construction,	12.00	
	Guy Kenny, State aid construction,	12.00	
	Will Tibbitts, State aid construction,	24.00	
	Bayne A. Higgins, State aid construction,	10.50	
	F. S. Prince, State aid construction,	48.00	
	Guy Springer, State aid construction,	28.50	
	Harris Gray, State aid construction,	40.50	
	Seth Bunnell, State aid construction,	1,020.00	
		<hr/>	\$1,307.50

STANDING OF THE TOWN.

Balance due schools Jan. 31, 1919,		\$903.11
In hands of treasurer, Jan. 31, 1919,	\$280.44	
Uncollected taxes,	15.15	
	<hr/>	295.59
Town indebtedness,		<hr/> \$607.52

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

*To the Voters of the Town of Columbia, N. H., qualified to
vote in town affairs,*

GREETING:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town of Columbia, N. H., at ten of the clock in the forenoon, on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March, then and there to act on the following subjects, to wit:—

1. To choose by ballot and major vote a town clerk for the year ensuing.

2. To choose by ballot and major vote three selectmen for the year ensuing.

3. To choose all other necessary town officers and agents for the year ensuing.

4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance of the poor.

5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the repair of highways and bridges.

6. To see what sum of money the town shall raise for the building and maintenance of State roads.

7. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the Public Library.

8. To see what sum of money the town will raise for town charges.

9. To see what sum of money the town will raise to purchase a snow roller for use in East Columbia.

10. To see if the town will vote to have electricity installed in the Town Hall, and to raise such sums of money as may be necessary for such purpose.

11. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the highway leading from the Colman Tibbetts Road, so called, to the John Barnett Farm, so called.

12. To see if the town will vote to give a discount on taxes paid on or before a certain date.

13. To hear the report of agents, auditors, or officers heretofore elected and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Given under our hands and seals the 22nd day of February, 1919.

ERNEST U. SIMS,

ERWIN FITTS,

Selectmen of Columbia.

LIBRARY REPORT.

Feb., 1918, cash on hand,	\$34.62	
Received of treasurer,	30.00	
Book fees,	2.32	
	<hr/>	\$66.94
Paid for books,	\$34.33	
Cash on hand,	32.61	
	<hr/>	\$66.94

MAY LUEY, *Librarian.*



Births Registered in the Town of Columbia, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1918

Birth Date of	Place of Birth	Name of Child if any	Sex and Condition	Stillborn	No. Children	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color of Parents	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
1918													
Feb. 1	Dean Wilson		M	L	3	W	Leslie Gadwah	Mary E. Belonger	W	Columbia	Laborer	Columbia	Stratford
Mar. 3	Elia William		M	L	4	W	Wallace Collins	Nellie S. Parker	W	Columbia	Farmer	Colebrook	Canada
Mar. 10	Dean Albert		M	L	5	W	Curts C. Noyes	Harriett A. Keach	W	Columbia	Farmer	Bloomfield, Vt.	Columbia
Mar. 30	Vann Eben		M	L	4	W	Eben C. Howe	Vera Griggs	W	Columbia	Farmer	Colebrook	Columbia
June 13	Laura June		F	L	1	W	Clayton Bennett	Ethel Smith	W	Columbia	Farmer	Columbia	Columbia
May 4	William George		M	L	1	W	Paul B. Keach	Kate McCormick	W	Columbia	Farmer	Columbia	Canada
July 20	Porothy Evelyn		F	L	1	W	Artie Gadwah	Eva McMillough	W	Columbia	Farmer	Columbia	Sherbrooke, P. Q.
Sept. 3	Beatrice		F	L	2	W	Archie Arsenault	Addie Colby	W	Columbia	Farmer	P. E. I.	Colebrook
Aug. 1			F	L	3	W	Harry Boucher	Pearl Brown	W	Columbia	Farmer	Nova Scotia	Columbia
Aug. 7	Ellen E.		M	L	4	W	Eugene O. Tibbets	Alma E. Martin	W	Columbia	Farmer	Columbia	Columbia
Oct. 4	Everett J.		F	L	2	W	John R. Jackson	Grace M. Elliot	W	Columbia	Farmer	Columbia	Concord
Nov. 13	Frances Mabel		M	L	4	W	Frank E. Chandler	Jessie Parsons	W	Columbia	Farmer	Columbia	Newark, Vt.
Oct. 60			F	L	6	W	Frank Uran	Mabel I. Harding	W	Columbia	Farmer	Pittsburg	Pittsburg
Dec. 19	Helen Estella		F	L	3	W	Robert McKear	Vivian L. Freeman	W	Columbia	Farmer	Columbia	Nova Scotia
Dec. 21			F	L	7	W	Andrew Jackson		W	Columbia	Farmer	Columbia	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GARDNER R. WOODARD, Town Clerk.

Mariages Registered in the Town of Columbia, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1918

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age of Each	Color of Each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	No. Marriage	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Person by whom Married
Feb. 16		*George W. Brown	Columbia	65	W	Farmer	Compton, F. O.	John Brown	Canada	Farmer	2d	John C. Hutchins
		*Dora E. Miller	Bellows Falls, Vt.	51	W	Nurse	Columbia	Marguerite Wilson	Canada	Housekeeper	3d	North Stratford
Aug. 23		†Chester W. Martin	Columbia	25	W	Farmer	Columbia	Hannah Barnett	Concord, Vt.	Farmer	1st	Justice of the Peace
		†Eliza S. Hutchinson	Colebrook	26	W	Housework	Columbia	Webster Martin	Concord, Vt.	Farmer	1st	Joseph W. Webster
Aug. 20		†John H. Knapp	Nashua	54	W	Inv. Securities	Mescomoma, Wis.	Anna Rowell	Leavington, Vt.	Housekeeper	1st	County of Merrimac
		†Algia L. Colton	Starr King	38	W	Trained Nurse	Starr King	Eliza Marshall	Arizona	Farmer	2d	Willis C. Fur
Sept. 28		Henry Greer	Columbia	33	W	Farmer	St. Johns, N. B.	John H. Knapp	Elmira, N. Y.	Housekeeper	1st	Concord
		Helen C. Haney	Columbia	22	W	Housekeeper	Colebrook	Valerie A. Adams	Reading, Penn.	Housework	1st	Clergyman
Oct. 22		Charles D. Parker	Columbia	21	W	Laborer	Canada	Eva Hartford	Lancaster	Housework	1st	Clergyman
		Stella B. Bryant	Colebrook	17	W	Housework	Canada, Vt.	Henry Greer	St. Johns, N. B.	Farmer	2d	George Davies
Nov. 12		Frank Hodge	Columbia	57	W	Farmer	Colebrook	Annie Bradahan	Quebec, Canada	Farmer	1st	Minister
		Sarah E. Blake	Columbia	46	W	Cook	Highgate, Vt.	Thomas Haney	Colebrook	Farmer	1st	Minister
Dec. 9		Hurbert Laughton	Columbia	28	W	Farmer	Pittsburg	Laura Cummings	Columbia	Farmer	1st	George Davies
		Arville B. Shute	Columbia	19	W	Housekeeper	Pittsburg	Rosie Burke	Columbia	Farmer	1st	Minister
Dec. 25		Jerold G. Harding	Columbia	18	W	Farmer	Pittsburg	Elsie Brown	Colebrook	Farmer	1st	Minister
		Ethel M. Brown	Pittsburg	16	W	Housework	Pittsburg	Thomas E. Jones	Peckskill, N. Y.	Farmer	1st	George Davies

* Married at North Stratford. † Married at Webster. ‡ Married at Concord.

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GARDNER R. WOODARD, Town Clerk

Deaths Registered in the Town of Columbia, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1918

Date of Death 1918	Death Place of	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age		Place of Birth	Sex and Condition		Color	Single Married or Widowed	Occupation	Father	Place of Birth Mother	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
			Years	Months Days		Male	Female							
Feb. 22		Susan Tilton	86	3	17			W	W	Retired			Josiah Lamsind	Cynthia Goodall
Apr. 20		Myra P. Blodgett	50	0	19	F		W	M	Housewife		Columbia, N. H.	Abner L. Day	Lucia Lyman
July 3		William C. Lyman	73	0	13	M		W	M	Farmer		Hanover, N. H.	John S. Lyman	Caroline M. Smith
July 3		Mary Boothe	66	6	2	M		W	M					
Aug. 12		Arthur Dowse	49	0	14		F	W	W	Laborer		Columbia, N. H.	William Dowse	Betsey Fenn
July 28		Byron A. Loverin	71		22	M		W	M	Farmer		Columbia, N. H.	John K. Loverin	Fanny Blodgett
Sept. 23		Alban Albert Noyes				M		W	S	None		Columbia, N. H.	Curtis C. Noyes	Hattie A. Keach
Oct. 21		Meriam P. Baker	4	4	6	F		W	S	None		Lenington, Vt.	Austin Baker	Eva M. Gray

* Died at Northumberland, N. H.

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GARDNER R. WOODARD, Town Clerk.

New Hampshire State Library



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